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Washington, D.C. 20231**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Applicant acknowledges receipt of an Office Action dated 11/20/2002. Applicant responds to the Examiner's concerns as follows:

REMARKS

Claims 1 - 3 are pending the application; Claims 1 - 3 stand rejected.

Claims 1-2 stand rejected under 35 USC §102(e) as being anticipated by Sanderman; applicant respectfully traverses this rejection. Claim 1 requires a chat function that specifically has browser leading capabilities. "Browser leading" is defined in the specification as the "ability to drive one or more [client] browsers to desired locations on the web" (page 3, line 20). The Sanderman technology is concerned primarily with content management in corporate databases, and nowhere discusses a user chatting with another user and driving or leading that user to some selected location on the web. In this respect, Sanderman teaches only that a chat function may be combined with a network browser, NOT that either the chat function OR the browser can be used

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Examiner Vu

Please review the attached response at your earliest convenience and call me at 206 786-5907 so I can arrange with you an interview to discuss our response and how we may proceed to earliest allowance. I believe we have no more than sufficiently supported our position as to prior invention over England; and in addition we have rebutted and distinguished the Sanderman reference. We believe the claims are in condition for allowance.

Thank you.

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